

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 9 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend Claims 2, 10-12, and 22 as follows.

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) A method for creating a speech recognition dictionary ~~that is to be~~ used for creating a mail through voice input in an application, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a transmitted mail from a transmission source;

obtaining a speech recognition dictionary ~~for mail creation~~ corresponding to ~~[[a]]~~ the transmission source, the speech recognition dictionary containing a vocabulary, wherein the speech recognition dictionary either is obtained of the received mail from a memory which retains a plurality of the speech recognition dictionaries or, if not obtained, is created; for mail creation;

~~creating the speech recognition dictionary for mail creation corresponding to the~~ ~~transmission source if it is not obtained;~~

detecting if a ~~reply~~ mail creation processing ~~[[to]]~~ involving the received transmitted mail is started;

reading the ~~received~~ transmitted mail when the ~~reply~~ mail creation processing is ~~started~~ detected;

analyzing the ~~received~~ transmitted mail ~~read~~ and extracting at least one unknown word therefrom that does not exist in the ~~obtained or created~~ speech recognition dictionary; [[and]]

updating the ~~obtained or created~~ speech recognition dictionary by adding thereto the at least one unknown word ~~to it~~;

storing time information indicating when the speech recognition dictionary is updated; and

deleting the speech recognition dictionary when a specified period of time has elapsed with respect to the time information.

3-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 2, further comprising the steps of:

detecting if the mail creation processing is completed; and

deleting the speech recognition dictionary when the mail creation processing is completed.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim ~~[[9]]~~ 2, wherein the time information indicates a date and a time when the speech recognition dictionary is updated.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~A method according to claim 2, wherein the at least one unknown word includes a plurality of unknown words, and the method further comprising the steps of:~~

A method for creating a speech recognition dictionary to be used for creating a mail through voice input in an application, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a transmitted mail from a transmission source;

obtaining a speech recognition dictionary corresponding to the transmission source, the speech recognition dictionary containing a vocabulary, wherein the speech recognition dictionary is obtained from a memory which retains a plurality of speech recognition dictionaries or, if not obtained, is created;

detecting if a mail creation processing involving the transmitted mail is started;

reading the transmitted mail when the mail creation processing is detected;

analyzing the transmitted mail and extracting a plurality of unknown words therefrom that do not exist in the speech recognition dictionary;

updating the speech recognition dictionary by adding thereto the plurality of unknown words;

storing registration time information for each of the plurality of unknown words, which indicates a time when the unknown word is added to the speech recognition dictionary; and

deleting each one of the plurality of unknown words when a specified period of time set for the each one of the plurality of unknown words has elapsed from ~~[[a]]~~ the time indicated by the registration time information.

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 11, wherein the registration time information indicates a date and a time when each of the plurality of unknown words is added.

13-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) A storage medium storing a control program for realizing a method for creating a speech recognition dictionary that is used for creating a mail through voice input in an application, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a transmitted mail from a transmission source;

obtaining a speech recognition dictionary ~~for mail creation~~ corresponding to ~~[[a]]~~ the transmission source, the speech recognition dictionary containing a vocabulary, wherein the speech recognition dictionary either is obtained of the received mail from a memory which retains a plurality of the speech recognition dictionaries or, if not obtained, is created for mail creation;

~~creating the speech recognition dictionary for mail creation corresponding to the transmission source if it is not obtained;~~

detecting if a ~~reply~~ mail creation processing ~~[[to]]~~ involving the ~~received~~
transmitted mail is started;

reading the ~~received~~ transmitted mail when the ~~reply~~ mail creation processing is
started detected;

analyzing the ~~received~~ transmitted mail ~~read~~ and extracting ~~at least one unknown~~
~~word~~ a plurality of unknown words therefrom that ~~does~~ do not exist in the ~~obtained or~~
~~created~~ speech recognition dictionary; ~~[[and]]~~

updating the ~~obtained or created~~ speech recognition dictionary by adding thereto the
~~at least one~~ plurality of unknown word words to it;

storing registration time information for each of the plurality of unknown words,
which indicates a time the unknown word is added to the speech recognition dictionary;
and

deleting each one of the plurality of unknown words when a specified period of
time set for the each one of the plurality of unknown words has elapsed from the time
indicated by the registration time information.

23-24. (Cancelled)